support the manufacture, integration, installation, operation, and testing of various firearms and silencer parts (Transmittal No. DDTC 17-101); to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-4084. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to section 36(d) of the Arms Export Control Act, the certification of a proposed license for the export of defense articles, including technical data and defense services to Japan for the collaboration of the manufacture of the Multi Service - Standard Guided Projectile for end-use by the Japan Ministry of Defense (Transmittal No. DDTC 17-113); to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-4085. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to section 36(c) of the Arms Export Control Act, the certification of a proposed license for the export of defense articles, including technical data and defense services to Australia to support the installation, checkout, test, retrofit, requirements verification, acceptance, operation, maintenance, and logistical support of MESA Radar/IFF subsystems and Follow-On Sustainment Support Services (FOSSS) for the Royal Australian Air Force in the amount of \$100,000,000 or more (Transmittal No. DDTC 17-116); to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-4086. A communication from the Secretary of Education, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Adjustments of Civil Monetary Penalties for Inflation" (RIN1801-AA17) received in the Office of the President pro tempore of the Senate; to the Committee on Health, Education, Lahor and Pensions

EC-4087. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on D.C. Act 22-228, "Ballpark Fee Forgiveness Act of 2017"; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-4088. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on D.C. Act 22-229, "Homeless Services Reform Amendment Act of 2017"; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-4089. A communication from the Special Counsel, United States Office of the Special Counsel, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Office of the Special Counsel's Performance and Accountability Report for fiscal year 2017; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs .

EC-4090. A communication from the Administrator, Saint Lawrence Seaway Development Corporation, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Corporation's annual financial audit and management report for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2017; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-4091. A communication from the Chairman of the Securities and Exchange Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Semiannual Report of the Inspector General and a Management Report for the period from April 1, 2017 through September 30, 2017; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-4092. A communication from the Acting General Counsel, General Services Administration, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to a vacancy in the position of Administrator, General Services Administration, received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on January 12, 2018; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-4093. A communication from the Acting Director and General Counsel, Office of Government Ethics, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Civil Monetary Penalties Inflation Adjustments for Ethics in Government Act Violations" (RIN3209-AA38) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on January 12, 2017; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-4094. A communication from the General Counsel, National Indian Gaming Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Minimum Technical Standards for Class II Gaming Systems and Equipment" (RIN3141-AA64) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on January 12, 2018; to the Committee on Indian Affairs.

EC-4095. A communication from the Federal Liaison Officer, Patent and Trademark Office, Department of Commerce, transmiting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "International Trademark Classification Changes" (RIN0651-AD27) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on January 10, 2018; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-4096. A communication from the Deputy Chief, Wireless Telecommunications Bureau, Federal Communications Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Amendments to Harmonize and Streamline Part 20 of the Commission's Rules Concerning Requirements for Licenses to Overcome a CMRS Presumption" ((WT Docket No. 16-240) (FCC 17-167)) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on January 10, 2018; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-4097. A communication from the Assistant Attorney General, Office of Legislative Affairs, Department of Justice, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the views of the Department on S. 1129, the "Coast Guard Authorization Act of 2017"; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-4098. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Federal Maritime Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Inflation Adjustment of Civil Monetary Penalties" (RIN3072-AC70) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on January 11, 2018; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation

EC-4099. A communication from the Deputy Chief, Consumer and Governmental Affairs Bureau, Federal Communications Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Modification of Subpart G, Section 0.701 of the Commission's Rules" (FCC 17–172) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on January 12, 2018; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-4100. A communication from the Deputy Chief, Consumer and Governmental Affairs Bureau, Federal Communications Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Advanced Methods to Target and Eliminate Unlawful Robocalls" ((CG Docket No. 17-59) (FCC 17-151)) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on January 12, 2018; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-4101. A communication from the Deputy Bureau Chief, Public Safety and Homeland Security Bureau, Federal Communications Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Amendment of Part 11 of the Commission's Rules

Regarding Emergency Alert System" ((PS Docket No. 15-94) (FCC 17-170)) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on January 12, 2018; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

## EXECUTIVE REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

The following executive reports of nominations were submitted:

By Mr. CRAPO for the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

\*Robert Hunter Kurtz, of Virginia, to be an Assistant Secretary of Housing and Urban Development.

\*Brian D. Montgomery, of Texas, to be an Assistant Secretary of Housing and Urban Development.

\*Jerome H. Powell, of Maryland, to be Chairman of the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System for a term of four years.

\*Randal Quarles, of Colorado, to be a Member of the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System for a term of fourteen years from February 1, 2018.

\*David J. Ryder, of New Jersey, to be Director of the Mint for a term of five years.

By Mr. HATCH for the Committee on Finance.

\*Alex Michael Azar II, of Indiana, to be Secretary of Health and Human Services.

\*Kevin K. McAleenan, of Hawaii, to be Commissioner of U.S. Customs and Border Protection, Department of Homeland Security.

\*Nomination was reported with recommendation that it be confirmed subject to the nominee's commitment to respond to requests to appear and testify before any duly constituted committee of the Senate.

## INTRODUCTION OF BILLS AND JOINT RESOLUTIONS

The following bills and joint resolutions were introduced, read the first and second times by unanimous consent, and referred as indicated:

By Mrs. McCASKILL (for herself, Mr. TESTER, Ms. HEITKAMP, and Ms. HARRIS):

S. 2314. A bill to increase the number of U.S. Customs and Border Protection Office of Field Operations officers and support staff and to require reports that identify staffing, infrastructure, and equipment needed to enhance security at ports of entry; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

By Mr. ISAKSON (for himself and Mr. CASEY):

S. 2315. A bill to amend the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act to clarify the regulatory framework with respect to certain nonprescription drugs that are marketed without an approved new drug application, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Mr. THUNE:

S. 2316. A bill to amend the Agricultural Act of 2014 to make available to Native Americans who own horses for noncommercial use livestock indemnity payments and payments under the livestock forage disaster program, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

By Mr. MARKEY (for himself, Mr. PAUL, Ms. HASSAN, and Ms. COLLINS): S. 2317. A bill to amend the Controlled Substances Act to provide for additional flexibility with respect to medication-assisted

treatment for opioid use disorders, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Ms. BALDWIN (for herself and Mr. Brown):

S. 2318. A bill to require the payment of user fees by qualified professional asset managers seeking an individual exemption from certain requirements; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

## ADDITIONAL COSPONSORS

S. 1364

At the request of Mr. MENENDEZ, the name of the Senator from Colorado (Mr. BENNET) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1364, a bill to establish within the Smithsonian Institution the National Museum of the American Latino, and for other purposes.

S. 1585

At the request of Mr. WHITEHOUSE, the name of the Senator from Minnesota (Ms. SMITH) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1585, a bill to amend the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971 to provide for additional disclosure requirements for corporations, labor organizations, Super PACs and other entities, and for other purposes.

S. 1653

At the request of Mr. Booker, the name of the Senator from Connecticut (Mr. Murphy) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1653, a bill to provide for the overall health and well-being of young people, including the promotion of lifelong sexual health and healthy relationships, and for other purposes.

S. 1899

At the request of Mr. Blunt, the names of the Senator from Alaska (Mr. SULLIVAN) and the Senator from Maine (Mr. King) were added as cosponsors of S. 1899, a bill to reauthorize and extend funding for community health centers and the National Health Service Corps.

S. 2105

At the request of Mr. Boozman, the names of the Senator from Maryland (Mr. Van Hollen), the Senator from New Jersey (Mr. Menendez) and the Senator from Oregon (Mr. Merkley) were added as cosponsors of S. 2105, a bill to modify the presumption of service connection for veterans who were exposed to herbicide agents while serving in the Armed Forces in Thailand during the Vietnam era, and for other purposes.

S. 2152

At the request of Mr. HATCH, the name of the Senator from Massachusetts (Mr. MARKEY) was added as a cosponsor of S. 2152, a bill to amend title 18, United States Code, to provide for assistance for victims of child pornography, and for other purposes.

S. 2203

At the request of Mrs. GILLIBRAND, the name of the Senator from Oregon (Mr. MERKLEY) was added as a cosponsor of S. 2203, a bill to amend title 9 of the United States Code with respect to arbitration.

S. 2259

At the request of Mr. BOOKER, the name of the Senator from Massachu-

setts (Ms. Warren) was added as a cosponsor of S. 2259, a bill to establish certain duties for pharmacies to ensure provision of Food and Drug Administration-approved contraception, medication related to contraception, and for other purposes.

S. 2271

At the request of Mr. REED, the name of the Senator from Rhode Island (Mr. WHITEHOUSE) was added as a cosponsor of S. 2271, a bill to reauthorize the Museum and Library Services Act.

S. 2278

At the request of Ms. HEITKAMP, the name of the Senator from Minnesota (Ms. SMITH) was added as a cosponsor of S. 2278, a bill to amend the Public Health Service Act to provide grants to improve health care in rural areas.

At the request of Mr. Roberts, the name of the Senator from New Hampshire (Mrs. Shaheen) was added as a cosponsor of S. 2278, supra.

S. 2301

At the request of Ms. Warren, the name of the Senator from New Hampshire (Mrs. Shaheen) was added as a cosponsor of S. 2301, a bill to strengthen parity in mental health and substance use disorder benefits.

S.J. RES. 8

At the request of Mr. UDALL, the name of the Senator from Minnesota (Ms. SMITH) was added as a cosponsor of S.J. Res. 8, a joint resolution proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the United States relating to contributions and expenditures intended to affect elections.

S. RES. 367

At the request of Mr. CRUZ, the name of the Senator from Utah (Mr. HATCH) was added as a cosponsor of S. Res. 367, a resolution condemning the Government of Iran for its violence against demonstrators and calling for peaceful resolution to the concerns of the citizens of Iran.

S. RES. 368

At the request of Mr. Corker, the names of the Senator from New Mexico (Mr. Heinrich), the Senator from Colorado (Mr. Gardner), the Senator from Montana (Mr. Daines), the Senator from Oregon (Mr. Merkley) and the Senator from Michigan (Mr. Peters) were added as cosponsors of S. Res. 368, a resolution supporting the right of all Iranian citizens to have their voices heard.

AMENDMENT NO. 1879

At the request of Mr. WYDEN, the names of the Senator from New Mexico (Mr. UDALL) and the Senator from Montana (Mr. DAINES) were added as cosponsors of amendment No. 1879 intended to be proposed to S. 139, a bill to implement the use of Rapid DNA instruments to inform decisions about pretrial release or detention and their conditions, to solve and prevent violent crimes and other crimes, to exonerate the innocent, to prevent DNA analysis backlogs, and for other purposes.

AMENDMENT NO. 1880

At the request of Mr. WYDEN, the names of the Senator from New Mexico

(Mr. UDALL) and the Senator from Montana (Mr. DAINES) were added as cosponsors of amendment No. 1880 intended to be proposed to S. 139, a bill to implement the use of Rapid DNA instruments to inform decisions about pretrial release or detention and their conditions, to solve and prevent violent crimes and other crimes, to exonerate the innocent, to prevent DNA analysis backlogs, and for other purposes.

AMENDMENT NO. 1881

At the request of Mr. Wyden, the names of the Senator from New Mexico (Mr. UDALL), the Senator from Montana (Mr. DAINES), the Senator from Wisconsin (Ms. BALDWIN) and the Senator from New Mexico (Mr. HEINRICH) were added as cosponsors of amendment No. 1881 intended to be proposed to S. 139, a bill to implement the use of Rapid DNA instruments to inform decisions about pretrial release or detention and their conditions, to solve and prevent violent crimes and other crimes, to exonerate the innocent, to prevent DNA analysis backlogs, and for other purposes.

AMENDMENT NO. 1882

At the request of Mr. WYDEN, the names of the Senator from New Mexico (Mr. UDALL), the Senator from Montana (Mr. DAINES) and the Senator from New Mexico (Mr. HEINRICH) were added as cosponsors of amendment No. 1882 intended to be proposed to S. 139, a bill to implement the use of Rapid DNA instruments to inform decisions about pretrial release or detention and their conditions, to solve and prevent violent crimes and other crimes, to exonerate the innocent, to prevent DNA analysis backlogs, and for other purposes.

AMENDMENT NO. 1883

At the request of Mr. WYDEN, the names of the Senator from New Mexico (Mr. UDALL) and the Senator from Montana (Mr. DAINES) were added as cosponsors of amendment No. 1883 intended to be proposed to S. 139, a bill to implement the use of Rapid DNA instruments to inform decisions about pretrial release or detention and their conditions, to solve and prevent violent crimes and other crimes, to exonerate the innocent, to prevent DNA analysis backlogs, and for other purposes.

AMENDMENT NO. 1884

At the request of Mr. WYDEN, the names of the Senator from Massachusetts (Mr. MARKEY), the Senator from New Mexico (Mr. UDALL), the Senator from Montana (Mr. DAINES) and the Senator from New Mexico (Mr. HEIN-RICH) were added as cosponsors of amendment No. 1884 intended to be proposed to S. 139, a bill to implement the use of Rapid DNA instruments to inform decisions about pretrial release or detention and their conditions, to solve and prevent violent crimes and other crimes, to exonerate the innocent, to prevent DNA analysis backlogs, and for other purposes.

AMENDMENT NO. 1886

At the request of Mr. Wyden, the names of the Senator from Massachusetts (Mr. Markey), the Senator from